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11. (C) Emboff met with MFA Security Division Chief Stanislav Vidovic on February 24 to encourage Slovenia to support the continuation and expansion of the NATO Training Mission-Iraq (NTM-I), per reftel. Vidovic explained that although Slovenia withdrew its two trainers from NTM-I in December in keeping with the new government's electoral platform, Slovenia's political support for NTM-I remained. He suggested that in the next year or two Slovenia might be able to provide some financial support, but was unable to do so this year. Emboff discussed the issue on February 26 with MOD Deputy Director General of Defense Planning Primoz Savc, who also confirmed Slovenia's political support for continuing NTM-I. Savc echoed Vidovic that Slovenia was currently unable to redeploy any trainers.
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